

Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena - March 2009

Location	Date/Time	Deaths & Injuries	Property & Crop Dmg	Event Type and Details
GULF OF MEXICO				
PASCAGOULA MS TO SW PASS OF MS R 20 TO 60NM COUNTY --- 45.0 E VENICE [29.28, -88.62]				
	03/26/09 21:43 CST	0		Marine Thunderstorm Wind (MG 35 kt)
	03/26/09 21:43 CST	0		Source: Buoy
PASCAGOULA MS TO SW PASS OF MS R 20 TO 60NM COUNTY --- 45.0 E VENICE [29.28, -88.62]				
	03/26/09 21:53 CST	0		Marine Thunderstorm Wind (MG 34 kt)
	03/26/09 21:53 CST	0		Source: Buoy
PASCAGOULA MS TO SW PASS OF MS R 20 TO 60NM COUNTY --- 45.0 E VENICE [29.28, -88.62]				
	03/27/09 03:38 CST	0		Marine Thunderstorm Wind (MG 34 kt)
	03/27/09 03:38 CST	0		Source: Buoy
PASCAGOULA MS TO SW PASS OF MS R 20 TO 60NM COUNTY --- 45.0 E VENICE [29.28, -88.62]				
	03/27/09 04:14 CST	0		Marine Thunderstorm Wind (MG 34 kt)
	03/27/09 04:14 CST	0		Source: Buoy
PASCAGOULA MS TO SW PASS OF MS R 20 TO 60NM COUNTY --- 45.0 E VENICE [29.28, -88.62]				
	03/27/09 08:33 CST	0		Marine Thunderstorm Wind (MG 34 kt)
	03/27/09 08:33 CST	0		Source: Buoy
LAKE PONCHARTRAIN AND LAKE MAUREPAS COUNTY --- 9.5 NE LITTLE WOODS [30.19, -89.83], 10.6 NE LITTLE WOODS [30.20, -89.82]				
	03/27/09 19:35 CST	0		Waterspout
	03/27/09 19:40 CST	0		Source: Public
A waterspout was reported in eastern Lake Pontchartrain near the Interstate 10 Twinspan Bridge.				
Several episodes of widespread severe weather occurred from March 26th through the 28th as a series of strong upper air disturbances impacted the central gulf region as a meandering and nearly stationary frontal boundary drifted back and forth across the area.				
LOUISIANA, Southeast				
ASSUMPTION COUNTY --- 3.0 WSW PAINCOURTVILLE [29.96, -91.12]				
	03/25/09 22:30 CST		1K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 50 kt)
	03/25/09 22:30 CST		0	Source: Law Enforcement
Trees were blown down in Pierre Part.				
ASSUMPTION COUNTY --- LABADIEVILLE [29.83, -90.97]				
	03/25/09 22:45 CST		5K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 50 kt)
	03/25/09 22:45 CST		0	Source: Law Enforcement
Thunderstorm winds damaged two trailers on Highway 1010. One trailer had its roof ripped off and another trailer was blown over on its side.				
JEFFERSON COUNTY --- METAIRIE [29.98, -90.15]				
	03/25/09 22:50 CST	0		Hail (1.00 in)
	03/25/09 22:50 CST	0		Source: NWS Employee
WEST BATON ROUGE COUNTY --- BRUSLY [30.38, -91.23]				
	03/26/09 00:00 CST		15K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 50 kt)
	03/26/09 00:05 CST		0	Source: Emergency Manager
Numerous power poles were knocked down with multiple electrical transformers blown off poles. Also, scattered trees were knocked down and a roof was ripped off of a house along Antonio Road near Highway 1.				

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EAST BATON ROUGE COUNTY --- BATON ROUGE [30.47, -91.17]				
	03/26/09 00:05 CST		4.50M	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 70 kt)
	03/26/09 00:15 CST		0	Source: Broadcast Media
Thunderstorm winds knocked down numerous trees and power lines throughout the city. A tree fell on a house on Stanford Avenue. Significant tree damage occurred around the Louisiana State University campus and in the Southdowns area. Scattered commercial signs along Perkins Road were blown down. Significant structural damage occurred to the Louisiana State University football indoor facility and several other buildings had roof damage. Damage at the LSU campus was estimated around four million dollars. A survey crew estimated sustained winds speeds near 80 mph. The Baton Rouge ASOS equipment at Baton Rouge Ryan Field Airport located north of the worst damage recorded at 67 mph wind gust. Entergy Louisiana reported that more than 14,600 of their customers were without power in East Baton Rouge Parish.				
LIVINGSTON COUNTY --- 0.4 SSW WATSON [30.58, -90.95], 1.7 SSE WALKER [30.46, -90.86]				
	03/26/09 00:30 CST		10K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 50 kt)
	03/26/09 00:40 CST		0	Source: Law Enforcement
Widespread tree and power line damage due to thunderstorm winds was observed across Livingston Parish. Some of the worst daamage was along State Highway 1020 where power lines and trees blocked the road. Also, more concentrated tree and power line damage was reported along Highway 447 south of Interstate 12 and along Hood Road south of Walker.				
TANGIPAHOA COUNTY --- 0.6 NNE INDEPENDENCE [30.64, -90.49], 1.2 ENE INDEPENDENCE [30.64, -90.48]				
	03/26/09 00:58 CST		60K	Tornado (EF1, L: 0.75 mi , W: 50 yd)
	03/26/09 01:00 CST		0	Source: NWS Storm Survey
A National Weather Service ground storm survey indicated a tornado path of approximately three quarters of a mile long and 50 yards wide in the vicinity of School Road and Highway 40. Seven homes were damaged, one mobile home was destroyed, and one trailer heavily damaged. One minor injury was reported. Several large trees were uprooted and broken off. The maximum estimated wind speeds associated with this tornado were in the 100 to 110 mph range.				
TANGIPAHOA COUNTY --- LORANGER [30.63, -90.40]				
	03/26/09 01:05 CST		0.20K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 50 kt)
	03/26/09 01:05 CST		0	Source: Law Enforcement
A power pole was knocked down along Highway 40 near Loranger.				
WASHINGTON COUNTY --- BOGALUSA [30.77, -89.85]				
	03/26/09 01:44 CST		5K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 50 kt)
	03/26/09 01:44 CST		0	Source: Newspaper
Thunderstorm wind gusts blew down one tree and large tree branches.				
ST. TAMMANY COUNTY --- 2.0 SSE SLIDELL [30.24, -89.77]				
	03/26/09 02:43 CST		0.75K	Tornado (EF0, L: 0.15 mi , W: 25 yd)
	03/26/09 02:44 CST		0	Source: NWS Storm Survey
A very weak tornado briefly touched down in the Springhill subdivision. The tornado was only about 25 yards wide with a path length of approximately 250 yards. The tornado resulted in minor tree damage and caused yard items to be blown around. The estimated wind speed associated with this tornado was around 65 mph.				
ASCENSION COUNTY --- 0.7 ESE WEBER CITY [30.23, -90.87], 0.6 NNE GONZALES BISHOP ARPT [30.23, -90.85]				
	03/26/09 22:12 CST		0.12M	Tornado (EF1, L: 1.75 mi , W: 50 yd)
	03/26/09 22:16 CST		0	Source: NWS Storm Survey
A tornado touched down in the St. Amant community. One house was moved off of its foundation and had its roof blown off. A large metal commercial building was heavily damaged. Emergency management officials reported that one structure was destroyed, 10 structures received severe damage, and 20 structures moderate damage. The path length of the tornado was approximately 1.75 miles and the path width 50 yards.				
LIVINGSTON COUNTY --- 5.0 W KILLIAN [30.37, -90.66]				
	03/26/09 22:28 CST		3K	Tornado (EF0, L: 0.20 mi , W: 150 yd)
	03/26/09 22:30 CST		0	Source: NWS Storm Survey
A National Weather Service storm survey indicated that a weak tornado briefly touched down just west of Kilian along Miller Road. Numerous trees were uprooted, a trailer was overturned, and a barn received minor damage.				

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TERREBONNE COUNTY --- HOUMA [29.60, -90.72]				
	03/26/09 23:14 CST		0	Hail (0.88 in)
	03/26/09 23:14 CST		0	Source: Trained Spotter
Nickel size hail was observed.				
ST. JAMES COUNTY --- VACHERIE [30.00, -90.72]				
	03/26/09 23:15 CST		25K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 60 kt)
	03/26/09 23:15 CST		0	Source: Newspaper
Thunderstorm wind gusts knocked down a power pole, overturned one mobile home and caused roof damage in the Vacherie community.				
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST COUNTY --- EDGARD [30.05, -90.57]				
	03/26/09 23:30 CST		40K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 65 kt)
	03/26/09 23:30 CST		0	Source: Emergency Manager
Thunderstorm winds destroyed one trailer and knocked two trailers off of their blocks. Several tree limbs were knocked down and a tree fell on a house.				
ST. CHARLES COUNTY --- 3.0 ESE DES ALLEMANDS [29.81, -90.42]				
	03/26/09 23:45 CST		5K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 55 kt)
	03/26/09 23:45 CST		0	Source: Newspaper
Power utility reported eight power poles knocked down along Bayou Gauche Road.				
ORLEANS COUNTY --- 12.0 NE (NEW)LKFRNT ARPT NEW [30.17, -89.89]				
	03/27/09 00:00 CST		1K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 50 kt)
	03/27/09 00:00 CST		0	Source: Airplane Pilot
Trees were knocked down in eastern Orleans parish along Highway 11 in Irish Bayou.				
ST. TAMMANY COUNTY --- 3.0 N PEARL RIVER [30.42, -89.75]				
	03/27/09 00:30 CST		15K	Tornado (EF1, L: 0.30 mi , W: 150 yd)
	03/27/09 00:32 CST		0	Source: NWS Storm Survey
A National Weather Service storm survey indicated that a tornado briefly touched down just north of Hickory. The tornado caused substantial roof damage to 3 homes near Highway 41.				
LAFOURCHE COUNTY --- RACELAND [29.73, -90.60], 0.8 N JAY [29.63, -90.48], 4.5 SW LOCKPORT [29.61, -90.61], 2.8 W LEWISTOWN [29.73, -90.67]				
	03/27/09 02:25 CST		0	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
	03/27/09 06:25 CST		0	Source: Emergency Manager
Widespread and severe flooding occurred in areas of Lafourche Parish due to heavy rain. It was estimated that around 150 homes and businesses flooded. Most of the flooded structures had 2 to 5 inches of water in them; however, a few had up to 18 inches of water. Lockport had 8 businesses, 51 homes, and some apartment complexes flooded. Bayou blue had 25 homes flooded. Mathews had 20 homes flooded.				
ST. CHARLES COUNTY --- DESTREHAN [29.97, -90.38], 0.2 NNW ST ROSE [29.95, -90.32], 1.4 E BOUTTE [29.90, -90.36], 1.0 ESE LULING ARPT [29.93, -90.38]				
	03/27/09 03:15 CST		0	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
	03/27/09 05:15 CST		0	Source: Emergency Manager
Heavy rainfall resulted in major street flooding around Destrehan, Luling, and St. Rose.				
TERREBONNE COUNTY --- HOUMA [29.60, -90.72], 0.5 SE GRAY [29.69, -90.78], 0.4 NNW GIBSON [29.69, -91.00], 0.7 SSW THERIOT [29.46, -90.76], 0.8 WSW MONTEGUT [29.47, -90.58], 0.4 NE BOURG [29.55, -90.62]				
	03/27/09 03:15 CST		0	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
	03/27/09 08:15 CST		0	Source: Emergency Manager
Widespread and severe flooding occurred in many areas of Terrebonne Parish. It was estimated that around 240 homes and businesses were flooded. Numerous roads around the parish were flooded.				
JEFFERSON COUNTY --- WESTWEGO [29.90, -90.13], 0.5 WNW MARRERO [29.90, -90.11], 0.3 WSW GOULDSBORO [29.92, -90.05], 1.8 SE GOULDSBORO [29.90, -90.03], 0.9 NE TERRYTOWN [29.89, -90.06], 0.6 ESE WESTWEGO ARPT [29.88, -90.12]				

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	03/27/09 04:15 CST		0	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
	03/27/09 06:15 CST		0	Source: Emergency Manager

Heavy rainfall flooded numerous roadways and some homes and vehicles on the Westbank of Jefferson Parish.

ORLEANS COUNTY --- 1.2 W ALGIERS [29.95, -90.07], 2.4 SSW NEW ORLEANS [29.92, -90.11], 1.6 W NEW ORLEANS [29.95, -90.13], 2.9 NW VIEUX CARRE [30.00, -90.11], 2.1 WSW GENTILLY [30.01, -90.06], 1.5 SSW GENTILLY [30.00, -90.04]				
	03/27/09 04:45 CST		0	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
	03/27/09 06:45 CST		0	Source: Broadcast Media

Many streets were flooded due to heavy rain and numerous vehicles were under water.

PLAQUEMINES COUNTY --- BELLE CHASSE [29.87, -89.98], 1.1 WNW SONE CHASSE [29.86, -90.02], 1.9 N AUGUSTA [29.83, -90.04], 0.9 W (NBG)NAS NEW ORLEANS [29.82, -90.02]				
	03/27/09 04:45 CST		0	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
	03/27/09 06:45 CST		0	Source: Law Enforcement

Some homes and a number of vehicles were flooded due to heavy rain.

ST. BERNARD COUNTY --- CHALMETTE [29.93, -89.97], 1.2 W MERAUX [29.93, -89.95], 0.8 E VERSAILLES [29.95, -89.94], 1.6 ENE ARABI [29.96, -89.98], 1.2 E ARABI [29.95, -89.98]				
	03/27/09 04:45 CST		0	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
	03/27/09 06:45 CST		0	Source: Law Enforcement

Heavy rainfall flooded a number of roadways and vehicles around Chalmette.

(LA-Z067) LOWER LAFOURCHE				
	03/27/09 04:45 CST		0	Coastal Flood
	03/27/09 10:45 CST		0	

WASHINGTON COUNTY --- 2.2 W WARNERTON [30.98, -90.22], 1.1 S ANGIE [30.95, -89.80], 0.4 S LEES CREEK [30.72, -89.87], 0.1 SSE ENON [30.72, -90.08], 7.6 SSW RICHARDSON [30.75, -90.27]				
	03/27/09 21:30 CST		0	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
	03/27/09 23:30 CST		0	Source: Emergency Manager

Numerous roadways across the parish were impacted by high water due to heavy rain.

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St. Amant, LA 03/26/2009. Tornado damage to a large commercial building. NWS Storm Survey Photo.

WASHINGTON COUNTY --- ANGIE [30.97, -89.80]

03/31/09 15:30 CST	0	Hail (0.88 in)
03/31/09 15:30 CST	0	Source: Trained Spotter

Dime to nickel size hail was reported.

Isolated thunderstorms developed over southeast Louisiana as a result of a strong upper level system and an associated cold front moving through the area.

MISSISSIPPI, South

WILKINSON COUNTY --- WOODVILLE [31.10, -91.30]

03/25/09 23:40 CST	1.50K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 50 kt)
03/25/09 23:40 CST	0	Source: Public

Numerous trees were blown down and there were power outages along Highway 24 near Woodville.

AMITE COUNTY --- LIBERTY [31.17, -90.83]

03/25/09 23:58 CST	15K	Tornado (EF1, L: 4.00 mi , W: 30 yd)
03/26/09 00:02 CST	0	Source: Emergency Manager

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A tornado ripped a 200 foot section of roofing material off of a school, removed the roof of a mobile home, and knocked down or snapped numerous trees.				
PEARL RIVER COUNTY --- CARRIERE [30.58, -89.67]				
	03/26/09 02:10 CST		1.50K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 50 kt)
	03/26/09 02:10 CST		0	Source: Emergency Manager
Thunderstorm winds were knocked down trees along Interstate 59 around mile marker 10 near Carriere. Also, power outages were reported around Picayune.				
HANCOCK COUNTY --- 2.0 WSW WAVELAND [30.27, -89.41]				
	03/26/09 03:11 CST		1K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 50 kt)
	03/26/09 03:11 CST		0	Source: Law Enforcement
A few trees were blown down along Lower Bay Road just to the west southwest of Waveland.				
JACKSON COUNTY --- PASCAGOULA [30.37, -88.53]				
	03/26/09 05:33 CST		18K	Tornado (EF0, L: 0.15 mi , W: 50 yd)
	03/26/09 05:35 CST		0	Source: NWS Storm Survey
A weak tornado briefly touched down causing damage around Tucker Street and 8th Street and on Taylor Street. Pacagoula High School experienced light damage when the scoreboard on the football field was blown down and numerous sections of fence were knocked down with debris littering the field. Traffic lights around the area were knocked down and several trees were blown down. Maximum winds associated with this tornado were estimated around 75 mph with a path length around 250 yards and a maximum width of 50 yards.				
PEARL RIVER COUNTY --- 11.0 E PICAYUNE [30.53, -89.50]				
	03/27/09 00:36 CST		1.50K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 50 kt)
	03/27/09 00:36 CST		0	Source: Emergency Manager
Thunderstorm winds blew down trees at Highway 43 and Leetown Road.				
HANCOCK COUNTY --- 3.5 WNW SELLERS [30.60, -89.41], 8.5 NNW KILN [30.52, -89.50]				
	03/27/09 00:45 CST		20K	Tornado (EF1, L: 7.00 mi , W: 200 yd)
	03/27/09 00:52 CST		0	Source: NWS Storm Survey
A National Weather Service storm survey indicated that a tornado traveled along a 7 mile long path in Hancock County. The tornado caused substantial damage to the roof of a church on Highway 603 and to a large outbuilding south of Necaise. The debris from large trees blocked Highway 603, Highway 43, and Highway 53.				
(MS-Z080) HANCOCK				
	03/27/09 06:50 CST		0	Coastal Flood
	03/27/09 11:50 CST		0	
AMITE COUNTY --- GILLSBURG [31.03, -90.67], 5.8 ESE STREET [31.02, -90.79]				
	03/27/09 18:55 CST		1.50K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 50 kt)
	03/27/09 18:55 CST		0	Source: Law Enforcement
Thunderstorm winds knocked down numerous trees in southern sections of the county which blocked some roads.				
PIKE COUNTY --- (MCB)LEWIS FLD MCCOM [31.18, -90.47]				
	03/27/09 19:09 CST		0	Thunderstorm Wind (MG 62 kt)
	03/27/09 19:09 CST		0	Source: ASOS
WILKINSON COUNTY --- WOODVILLE [31.10, -91.30], 2.8 SSE CENTREVILLE [31.07, -91.04], 6.4 S CENTREVILLE [31.01, -91.05], 3.6 W TURNBULL [31.03, -91.36]				
	03/27/09 19:15 CST		0	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
	03/27/09 21:15 CST		0	Source: Law Enforcement
Several roads were washed out in the southern part of the county.				
PIKE COUNTY --- 2.0 E MC COMB [31.25, -90.44]				

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	03/27/09 19:21 CST		0	Hail (1.00 in)
	03/27/09 19:21 CST		0	Source: Emergency Manager

One inch diameter hail was reported along U.S. Highway 98.

PIKE COUNTY --- MC COMB [31.25, -90.47], 0.4 S MC COMB [31.24, -90.47], 0.9 ESE MC COMB [31.24, -90.46], 1.1 ENE MC COMB [31.26, -90.45]				
	03/27/09 19:30 CST		0	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
	03/27/09 21:30 CST		0	Source: Emergency Manager

Heavy rain caused water to enter a home in McComb.

PIKE COUNTY --- MC COMB [31.25, -90.47]				
	03/27/09 20:20 CST		2K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 50 kt)
	03/27/09 20:20 CST		0	Source: Emergency Manager

The awning of a gas station on North Broadway was blown over.

HANCOCK COUNTY --- BAY ST LOUIS [30.32, -89.33], 2.5 N CLERMONT HARBOR [30.31, -89.42], 1.5 NNE CLERMONT HARBOR [30.29, -89.41], 0.7 SSW BAY ST LOUIS [30.31, -89.34]				
	03/28/09 00:15 CST		0	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
	03/28/09 02:15 CST		0	Source: Emergency Manager

Portions of U.S. Highway 90 around Bay St. Louis and Waveland were flooded due to heavy rainfall.

HARRISON COUNTY --- 0.6 SW LONG BEACH [30.34, -89.16], 3.6 NNE LIGANA [30.58, -89.24], 8.3 ENE AIREY [30.70, -88.96], 10.0 ENE AIREY [30.68, -88.92], 2.2 SE D IBERVILLE [30.41, -88.85]				
	03/28/09 00:30 CST	1	0.75M	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
	03/28/09 02:30 CST		0	Source: Emergency Manager

Major flooding due to heavy rain affected portions of Harrison County. The cities which experienced the worst flooding were Gulfport, Biloxi, D'Iberville, and Long Beach. At least 100 roads were impacted by flooding with numerous cars under water near the entrance to Interstate 10 off of the Interstate 110 loop. Around 200 homes flooded with most having 12 inches or less of water in them. A 36 year old man drowned in D'Iberville when he drove into a flooded drainage ditch.

Direct Fatalities: M36VE

JACKSON COUNTY --- 4.2 SE ORANGE GROVE [30.38, -88.42], 1.0 SSE OCEAN SPGS [30.41, -88.81], 0.7 S VESTRY [30.72, -88.78], 2.1 N ARENA [30.66, -88.46]				
	03/28/09 01:00 CST		0	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
	03/28/09 03:00 CST		0	Source: Emergency Manager

Heavy rain caused the flooding of numerous roadways around the county and it was estimated that over 150 homes flooded.

PIKE COUNTY --- MC COMB [31.25, -90.47]				
	03/28/09 01:10 CST		1.50K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 50 kt)
	03/28/09 01:10 CST		0	Source: Law Enforcement

Several trees were blown down on streets in the city of McComb.

PIKE COUNTY --- 0.6 NNW PRICEDALE [31.29, -90.30], 3.7 WNW OAKLAND [31.29, -90.56], 3.4 WNW OSYKA [31.02, -90.55], 1.0 E SMITHBURG [31.03, -90.28]				
	03/28/09 02:00 CST		0	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
	03/28/09 04:00 CST		0	Source: Emergency Manager

Several roads were closed around Pike County due to high water.

WALTHALL COUNTY --- 1.3 NNE FLOWERS [31.09, -90.01], 4.0 ENE FLOWERS [31.09, -89.96], 3.0 E FLOWERS [31.07, -89.97], 0.6 E FLOWERS [31.07, -90.01]				
	03/28/09 02:00 CST		0	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
	03/28/09 04:00 CST		0	Source: Emergency Manager

Several roads were closed due to high water around Dexter and two bridges were washed out.

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South of Nacaise, MS. 03/27/2009. The roof of a church was blown off when a tornado touched down. NWS Storm Survey Photo.